

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

28th Sunday Ordinary Time October 9, 2016

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In preparing young men for priestly ordination the seminary arranges courses of study, examines the candidates and makes recommendations to their bishops. Hence, all seminarians going through this process have to pay attention to what is being taught.

As a student in the seminary I overheard a professor commenting that priests hearing confessions ought to understand the distinction between perfect and imperfect acts of contrition. I made sure I took note of this comment. When the exam on Confessions came along, I passed the course easily because I had paid attention as a seminarian.

The lepers in today's Gospel had a tough time in the Israel of Jesus' day. It wasn't just the effects of the disease that made things difficult for the leper - it was also the fact that the leper could infect other people. Consequently, the society of Jesus' day excluded lepers until their healing had been confirmed.

When Jesus healed the lepers and told them to go and show themselves to a priest He was encouraging them to get the healing confirmed so that they could re-enter society.

But one leper returned to Jesus to thank Him for the healing without having it confirmed by a priest. By doing so, that leper couldn't enjoy re-entering society. But he was focused on something else: **the desire to praise Christ.**

Of course, this Gospel would be much less interesting if it was only applicable to the lepers of Jesus' time. It isn't however; it applies to us as well. After all, by any measure, we've done pretty well when it comes to God sharing His gifts with us. Our guilt on account of original sin has been removed, our natures have been elevated through grace and our goal is the vision of God. Consequently, we face the same choice the lepers did. Do we thank God for the gifts we have received because of their consequences or independently of their consequences?

Now whichever way we go, the point to keep in mind is threefold. *Firstly*, we should recognise that there are stages through which we pass as we follow the path of discipleship that Christ lays out for us.

Secondly, one of those stages is coming to appreciate what God has done for us independently of whatever consequences it might have for us. *Finally*, whatever stage we are at on this path of discipleship, none of us should be content to remain at that point this side of heaven.



Fr. Joseph

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 PM;
 Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 AM.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM;
 Saturdays & Public Holidays, 9:00 AM.

CONFESSIONS

Mon - Fri: before 8 AM Mass;
 Sat: 9:30 AM & 4:15 - 4:45 PM.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SUN	October 9 th 28 th SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	† Maria De Cotiis FOR PARISHIONERS
Mon	October 10	9 AM	† Basim Azzam
Tue	October 11	8 am	† Maddalena Torresan
Wed	October 12 Relics' Visit	8 am 7 PM	† Chris † Jonathan REARDON † Alicja Lacinska
Thu	October 13	8 am	† Mary Lily Nunez
Fri	October 14	8 am	† Gabriella Micallef
Sat	October 15 St Teresa of Jesus	9 am 5 pm	In Honour of St Philomena FOR PARISHIONERS
SUN	October 16 th 29 th SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	Sp. Int. Jed Jimenez Jr. Sp. Int. Gwendoline Allison

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Catholic Cemeteries: are a link
 between the living & the departed.



DATE	Oct. 15 th : 5 PM	Oct. 16 th : 9 AM	Oct. 16 th : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	PAT BATTENSBY LORETTA v UNEN	WENDY GRAY	LORNA DALINGHAUS RITA RACZ
LECTOR	GLORIA LOWE	WENDY GRAY	JOANN CULLEN
EMHC	JANE TORRESAN	GEORG ADAM	RANDY HOLMAN
SOCIAL HOSTS	*	A & C ADAM	MARRY VERBAARSCHOT

St. Anthony's Parish Religious Education Program (PREP): Every Wednesday for students in Grades 1 - 7 not attending Catholic Schools. For other Sacramental Information, phone the Parish Office or email: parish.sawv@rcav.org.



ST ANTHONY'S RELICS VISITING US !!!

Wednesday, October 12th

St. Anthony's Parish, is privileged to host a period of veneration of two first-class relics of our Patron, St. Anthony of Padua. The period of Veneration will extend from the 8 AM Mass through to a 7 PM Mass that evening.

St. Anthony's Parish, will be the only North Shore location hosting the relics, which are:

- **Fragments of St Anthony's skin** in a reliquary that may be touched by those venerating;
- **A floating rib.** This particular relic visited Buenos Aires in 2000, and was hosted by then, Archbishop Jorge Bergoglio (*now, Pope Francis*), and it was also taken to the Carmelite Convent in Coimbra, Portugal, where Sr. Lucia, the third seer of Fatima was in residence.

"First class relics are parts of the body of a Saint who was the Temple of the Holy Spirit."

Pope Francis

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Join us praying the Glorious Mystery and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy every Sunday, 8:15 AM in the church.



40 - HOUR DEVOTION AT ST ANTHONY'S

Wednesday 26th to Friday, 28th October

The *Forty Hours Devotion* can be seen almost like a parish mini-retreat or mission.

While the Forty Hours Devotion nurtures the love of the faithful for our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, three special dimensions have also surrounded this devotion: the protection from evil and temptation; reparation for our own sins and for the poor souls in purgatory; and deliverance from political, material or spiritual calamities.

The Forty Hours Devotion provides a wonderful opportunity for the spiritual growth of each person and the parish as a whole. In a world where temptation and evil abound, where devotion to the Mass and our Lord in the Holy Eucharist have declined, where the practice of penance and confession have been forgotten, we need the Forty Hours Devotion more than ever.

Forty Hours Devotion begins each day with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament right after the 8 AM Mass and ends with Benediction,

Calling All Youth! Join us on a Hike. Saturday, Oct 15th. 10 AM - 3 PM. Meet in SA Parish.



STA CORNER . . .

Thank you to all the supporters of the *STA Walk-a-thon*.

It was a great success on a beautiful sunny day.

This past week the STA Senior boys competed in BC Catholic Soccer Championships.

YEAR OF MERCY REFLECTION . . .

"From the heart of the Trinity, from the depths of the mystery of God, the great river of mercy wells up and overflows unceasingly. It is a spring that will never run dry, no matter how many people draw from it."

Pope Francis

PILGRIMAGE with FR LARRY!

April 17-29, 2017 to Milan, Padua,

Venice, Florence, Assisi, Rome...Italy.

Call Priscilla/Isabel (604) 874-9533.



LITTLE FLOWER ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, Oct 12th, 6 - 8 PM

Welcomes all prospective candidates and their families.

Doors open at 5:30 pm. Welcome Address is followed by guided tours. Visit www.lfabc.org or

Email wilsonk@lfabc.org or Phone (604) 738-9016 ext. 114.

MOVIE NIGHT WITH THE ARCHBISHOP

Friday, Oct 14th, 7 PM, Cineplex Odeon Int'l. Village

Join us for a screening of "*The Vessel*". Martin Sheen witness the revival of a town aflame with passions long forgotten.

For more info or to view the trailer, visit rcav.org/the-vessel.

HOLY ROSARY CATHEDRAL CONCERT SERIES

Friday, Oct 14th-16th, 8 PM

Organist Denis Bédard and guest organist Rachel Alflatt.

Performance includes organ duets, solos, and transcriptions by Haydn, Schubert, Franck and others, including the monumental Sonata for Organ Duet by Schumann's student Gustav Merkel. Performance visible on a giant screen. Ticket: \$20; \$15 students and seniors. For info or tickets, call (604) 682-6774.

ROSARY RALLY

Saturday, Oct 15th, 10 AM @ Vancouver Art Gallery

ANNUAL WHITE MASS

Friday, Oct 21st, 7 PM, St Augustine's Church, Vancouver

Inviting all Healthcare workers and their families to Mass with Archbishop Michael J Miller. Reception follows Mass. Hosted by The Catholic Physicians' Guild. Info: (604) 430-2712 or email: drttoniparsons@telus.net.

BC LIONS FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT

Saturday, Oct 22nd, 4 PM

BC Lions vs Edmonton Eskimos. Bonuses: Discounted ticket, a BC Lions hat, and post-game Lions coaches' and players' talks. For the discount code, please visit rcav.org/event/40163.

VOCATION LIVE-IN WEEKEND

November 4th- 6th, @ Seminary of Christ the King, Mission

Inviting young men interested in the priesthood or the consecrated life to experience the weekend.

For more information, call (604) 826-8715.

ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER

Thursday, Oct. 27th, 6 PM at *The Hyatt*, Vancouver.

Ticket, \$150 with a portion receipted as a charitable donation.

UPDATE! St Anthony's 2nd Table is almost full now with 7 parish-ioners around it. Please join us! Phone the parish office.